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EXPORTS OF READYMADE GARMENTS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the export of readymade garments has been less during the first six months of the current year in comparison to the exports made during the corresponding period of the previous year;

(b) if so, the value of exports made during the first half of the last year and during the first half of the current year;

(c) the exports in monetary terms made to the countries under quota and non-quota; and

(d) the reasons for decline in the readymade garment exports ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b)& (c) During the period January-June 2001, readymade garment exports amounted to US $ 5789.7 million as against the exports of US$ 5929.8 million during the same period of 2000, recording a negative growth of 2.4%. Out of these exports, approximately 60 percent relate to quota countries/categories.

(d) This recent trend in textile exports is mainly due to a general slowdown in the economies of some of our major trading partners like the US and increased competition from countries like China, Bangladesh etc.